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GRADE & QUALITY DESCRIPTION

SILVALarch™ A Grade

GRADING CRITERIA

Siberian Larch (Larix Sibirica) Cladding, Boards, Trim.

General Notes

Graded to BS1186-3 Part 4 Class 1.
Hand selected to meet stringent Silva internal criteria.
Clean, consistent virtually knot free appearance.
Kiln-dried to moisture content of 16-18% (+/- 2%).
FSC Certified.

Wood Fibre

Slow grown, dense wood from old growth forests in Irkutsk region of Russia.

Knots

Permitted

Generally sound tight (live / intergrown) knots typically under 12mm diameter, though some may exceed this. Typical average of two knots per metre over total length of material excluding pin knots.

Sap Wood

Permitted

At least one face sap free.

Compression Wood

Permitted

Occasional.

Deformation (Warp)

Permitted

Boards with minor curvature and twisting, as far as proper installation is ensured.

Pitch Pockets

Permitted

Occasional small.

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Cracks

Permitted

Discontinuous surface checks.

End cracks not longer than 1.5 times the board width may be present in small percentage of boards.

Pith

Permitted

Practically free of heart centre (pith)

Machining / Handling Marks **Permitted**

Occasional minor marks / blemishes may be present.

Colour Variation

Permitted

Colour can vary between boards and within boards.

Typical colour range: dark brown to a pale yellow.

Notes

- Silva offers this information as a general guide to the main characteristics likely to be encountered in any shipment of SILVALarch A Grade material.
- Since no two pieces of timber are identical, complete uniformity throughout a shipment is impossible.
- Grading is not an exact science because it is based on a visual inspection of each piece and the grader's judgment.
- Most boards will be fully usable; however, the installer will be required to trim some boards to remove undesirable defects.
- Other minor wood characteristics not listed may occasionally be present but would not detract from the material's usability.
- On occasion, knot sizes and other characteristics may fall outside of the typical sizes quoted.